302 KAR 20:054. Fee basis schedule for brucellosis testing.

RELATES TO: KRS Chapter 257

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 257.020, 257.030

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: To establish procedures for setting a fee basis schedule for reimbursement payments to licensed and accredited veterinarians for expenses incurred in performing professional services found necessary to eliminate brucellosis and to achieve the status of a brucellosis free state.

Section 1. Definitions. (1) "Per head allowance" means the allowance or rate of reimbursement by the department for professional veterinarian services based on testing performed on each animal.

(2) "Stop fee" means the allowance or rate or reimbursement by the department for professional veterinarian services performed based on each farm at which animals are tested.

Section 2. Fee Basis Payments. Upon request and approval of the department, licensed and accredited veterinarians providing the professional services found necessary to eliminate brucellosis and to achieve the status of a brucellosis free state shall receive payment for professional services from the department at a stop fee rate not to exceed twenty (20) dollars and a per head allowance not to exceed three (3) dollars.

Section 3. Reimbursement Due. A claim for a payment shall be submitted on a brucellosis testing statement of services performed. The statement shall provide that no payment for brucellosis testing services shall be made until the appropriate brucellosis test chart has been received and validated by the state veterinarian. All samples shall be of test quality.

Section 4. The state veterinarian may deny a fee basis payment when he has good cause to believe that the licensed and accredited veterinarian has:

- (1) Failed to perform services in a reasonably prudent and professional manner;
- (2) Misrepresented or concealed facts in order to receive or enable others to receive payments;
- (3) Misrepresented facts regarding animals tested or test results; or
- (4) Submitted false or questionable requests for fee basis payments.

Section 5. Fee Basis Forms. A fee basis claim shall be made on forms provided by the state veterinarian. The fee basis claim shall be for services performed on or after April 15, 1993, and may be obtained at the Office of the State Veterinarian, 100 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. The effective day of this administrative regulation shall be April 15, 1993. (19 Ky.R. 2756; Am. 20 Ky.R. 307; eff. 7-21-93.)